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Mr. Eliason's Reply to Mr. Beck.

We have read very carefully the reply of Wilbur Eliason, Esq., to the request of Chairman Wm. W. Beck to co-operate with him in the effort to lessen the crime of bribery in the approaching election, and we publish the full correspondence in another column.

When Mr. Jackson sounded the keynote of the Republican campaign refusing the direct proposition from Mr. Ellegood, he took the responsibility of placing his party flatly upon the side of a corrupt money campaign. Ever since that utterance the Republican organs and speakers have been engaged in the effort to justify this humiliating position. Their arguments have constantly reflected upon their own intelligence and upon every high moral precept. In short, the Republican answer to the Democratic proposition is: First, we cannot help prohibit bribery because that may help the Democratic candidate. Second, the Democrats have been deeper in the bribery mud than we are in the mire. Third, extend the effort to next year and we will cooperate.

Such answer was not surprising after the fact of Mr. Jackson's money-value nomination. He clearly expected the election to be bought, and he assented to the bargain made in "the house of his friends" to this end, when he accepted the nomination tendered him. He chose rather to face the crime and corruption of such a campaign than submit to certain defeat upon a higher plane. He was in the frying pan and for relief jumped into the fire.

There is no such excuse for Mr. Eliason's position. He has more brains than Mr. Jackson and also a higher concern for moral stamina. It is, therefore, the more astounding that he should decline the reasonable and fair proposition of Chairman Beck upon the grounds given. He says—and his high character should emphasize his statement—that he is "in hearty sympathy with any effort to break up the crime of bribery." A strange sympathy! Or the present movement is not an effort! Further, he says: "I favored the anti-bribery law defeated by the Democrats in the last Legislature. But, I take little stock in a *particular* effort in a *particular* case made in furtherance of the views of a *particular* candidate and to apply simply to approaching election."

Mr. Eliason here ignores the existence of stringent laws already upon the statute books, and gives a partisan twist to the present anti-bribery effort to justify his refusal to co-operate. He knows as well as any one that it is not the lack of law that imperils the community by this bribery curse, but it is the lack of disposition upon the part of both parties to enforce such laws. He knows further, that when this great reform does come it must be at some *particular* time and in some *particular* case, and must apply to some approaching election. Then why not now? Can a good work be consummated too soon? What difference is it whether the time or place of its success furthers some one else's views rather than our own? Can it be that Mr. Eliason is willing to lend himself to the defeat of such a worthy undertaking because he is not sure it will bring grist to his party's mill? Surely he cannot mean this, and yet his language implies it.

The trouble in this case with our usually astute friend is that he has allowed the responsibilities of Mr. Jackson's canvas to measurably warp his judgment. In order to fulfill the expectations of a well defined bribery campaign, and keep his county in line therewith, he must board the craft of the corruptionists and set all sail for bought Congressional honors (?)

Mr. Eliason reiterates the singular Republican argument that the Democracy are not sincere in this effort. Then why not confer upon the subject? No harm certainly could come of at least some effort to bring about practical results. Mr. Eliason says he is willing to pledge his assistance in any honest effort at the *next legislature*. Is such procrastination wise? We appeal to every intelligent reader, why not do now what can be done as effectually as two years hence? In thus doing we save the crime and curse of at least the coming election's traffic in manhood, and place in the hands of the anti-bribery people the weapon of success that will tell for the right in every future conflict. Defeat it in this election and the great cause is crippled for all time. Why fight an issue—or fail to help a cause—which all admit should prevail? Mr. Eliason knows its importance and value to the whole people and yet when he is invited to a conference to see if something cannot be done to lessen the bribery evil he flatly declines. Why? Only because it might be a *particular* effort and a futherance of a *particular* candidate's views!

Rather should we all hail its speediest coming and bless the God-send.

The Democrats of Kent county and throughout this congressional district are making an honest and sincere effort to abate this bribery business and they propose to push this work to the extreme limit. They ask the aid of every good citizen. If the Republican managers see fit to stand aloof they cannot share in the glory of its achievement, but the people certainly will be found upon the side of the wholesome anti-bribery laws.

There is no reason in the argument that because bribery prevailed last year or may prevail again hereafter we are justified in another rape of the ballot. Such a position is folly in the extreme. What have we to do with last year's sins—except to repent and do better? And next year—or two years hence—many of us will be in our graves. We must act in the present. It is the only time we have.

Again, in regard to Mr. Ellegood. There is nothing in this gentleman's past political record that will justify for a moment the suggestion of insincerity upon this subject of anti-bribery. There is no more honest or sincere man in Maryland in any position he takes than JAMES E. ELLEGOOD. More than that, the Democratic party in this district is pledged to this earnest effort to do away with bribery. Admitting all charges of Democratic sins in the past how can that justify the conscience of any man in allowing a continuance of the evil, when the time is so propitious as now to stop it?

The Democracy can—single handed—abate this evil, and if we read aright the spirit of the people it will be done next Tuesday.

THE BRIBERY LAW.

If any candidate at an election to be held under the constitution and laws of this State, or *ANY OTHER PERSON WHATEVER*, shall at any time before or on the day of any election, give or bestow or directly or indirectly promise any gift or reward to secure any person's vote or ballot at any such election, or shall keep, or suffer to be kept any house, tent, booth, or other accommodation in any part of any district at any time during the day of holding such election, and before the close thereof, at his expense, where any victuals or intoxicating liquors shall be gratuitously given or dealt out to voters, EVERY SUCH PERSON or candidate so offending shall, on conviction thereof in the court of the county or city wherein such offence may be committed, be fined at the discretion of the court a sum not exceeding FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS, and suffer such IMPRISONMENT as the court may adjudge, not exceeding SIX MONTHS, and such other penalties as are prescribed by the constitution, one-half of the fine to go to the informer.

The penalties prescribed by the Constitution as referred to in the above section of the law says—Every person convicted of the crime of bribery; beside the penalties now prescribed by law, shall forever be bebarred from VOTING AT ANY ELECTION IN THIS STATE.

A Final Appeal.

To the voters of the First Congressional District of Maryland.

An election of vital importance will be held in this Congressional District on November 4th next, not only important because of the National Issues involved, but chiefly because of the ISSUE OF A PURE BALLOT AND FAIR ELECTION, an issue not of my own seeking and one which could and ought to have been avoided, and would have been, if the Republican candidate had adhered to his first expressed intention.

The Republican press, by their cartoons admit that the Democratic "barrel" is empty, and the Republican candidate admits that the Democratic candidate is "sincere" in his efforts to suppress bribery, and he admits that there is a corrupt political condition in this Congressional District.

Yet he has in his "open letter" declined to co-operate or agree with the Democratic candidate not to contribute any money for illegitimate purposes, and has declined also to co-operate in the organization of the two parties in each Election District of the nine counties for the suppression of bribery, and by his SILENCE in regard to my last personal and open letter, has declined to call upon the PEOPLE, irrespective of party, to organize for its suspression. Therefore the press and the public have concluded, in the language of The Baltimore Heralh, that my "opponents must either meet or confess openly that a 'boodle' campaign is the only one possible for them in this Congressional District."

As the candidate of the Democratic Party, I therefore earnestly request all persons, irrespective of party, to co-operate and zealously watch with "eternal vigilance" for the corrupt use of money from now till the close of the election.

By vigilant watching, the law can easily be enforced against the one who gives or promises to give any reward to induce a person to vote or refrain from voting.

Respectfully submitted,
JAS. E. ELLEGOOD
Democratic Candidate of the First Congressional District.

MARRIED:

THOMAS E. LAMBERT and MISS BESSIE M. LONG were married Oct. 7, 1902, in Chestertown by Rev. E. P. Koberts.

DIED.

WM. EVERETT, infant son of Elmer and Mabel Gordon, died at their home near Sudlersville, Oct. 27, 1902, aged 1 month 16 days.

WATCH for the vote buyer Tuesday.

ELLEGOOD's election will mean a pure ballot.

THERE will be elections in 42 States next Tuesday.

THE man convicted of bribery is *forever debarred from voting*, and may be fined and sent to prison besides.

UNDER existing bribery laws the man who *sells* his vote can be used against the man who *buys*.

PROHIBITIONISTS, Democrats and Republicans can all vote for Ellegood on the anti-bribery issue.

THE Republican leaders refuse to aid in the suppression of bribery next Tuesday, but we believe that party in Kent contains many honest anti-bribery voters who will rebuke their leaders for any attempt they may make to buy votes.

EVERY CITIZEN—whether he be Republican or Democrat—should be on guard to punish bribery next Tuesday.

HERE is the sort of X to make that will count [X] The Court of Appeals settled the matter. The X must *wholly be inside the box*.

EVERY man who buys a vote next Tuesday can be sent to prison and forever disfranchised.

THE newspapers report that Jackson's managers held a final conference with their candidate last Wednesday at Easton, and that "final arrangements were made for carrying the district." Which must mean that the barrel was opened and the bribery money distributed to the various counties. Messrs. Wilbur Eliason and John D. Urie was reported present from Kent.

Mortgagee's Sale
— OF —
URIEVILLE MILL
PROPERTY.

BY VIRTUE of the power contained in the mortgage from John W. Temple and wife and William W. McKnett and wife to A. Coates, dated the 17th day of October, 1878, and recorded among the Land Records of Kent county, in Liber D. C. B., No. 4, Folio 376, the undersigned, as assignee of said mortgage, will offer at public sale in front of the Court House Door in Chestertown, Md., on

TUESDAY, November 11, 1902

At Twelve O'clock Noon,

ALL THAT VALUABLE MILL PROPERTY CALLED

The Urieville Mill

CONTAINING 31¼ ACRES,

more or less, situated in the Second Election District of Kent county, Maryland, on the public road from Chestertown to Kennedyville, about six miles from Chestertown and two miles from Kennedyville, both places being on the line of the Pennsylvania Railroad system.

This property consists of a FLOUR AND FEED MILL, A TWO STORY DWELLING, with Kitchen and Stable and Carriage House. The Dwelling is old and in fair condition. The Mill was remodeled last year to the latest improved system of grinding, scalping and bolting, and is now almost new throughout. Power is supplied by two turbine wheels under 12 feet head. The water is abundant at all seasons. There is no better water power or more desirable milling property in Kent county.

It is situated in one of the finest grain sections of the State, and has local demand for all its product, being close to several thriving towns and villages, and has paid a good profit for many years The mill is now idle, due to a break in the dam during the recent heavy rains. It can be put in condition for operation in a few days.

This property is offered for sale in order to settle the estate of the late Wm. W. McKnett. Possession will be given upon the ratification of sale.

TERMS OF SALE.—One-third of the purchase money cash on the day of sale, the residue in two equal instalments in one and two years from the day of sale; the deferred payments to bear interest from the day of sale, and to be secured to the satisfaction of the assignee. Title papers at the cost of the purchaser.

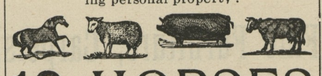
LEWIN W. WICKES,
ASSIGNEE OF MORTGAGE.
JOHN H. GREENWOOD, Auct'r. oc11-ts.

PUBLIC SALE
— OF —
·· VALUABLE ··
PERSONAL PROPERTY.

THE undersigned, administratrix of Walter H. Rees, deceased, will sell at public auction on the Thos. D. France farm, lately occupied by said deceased, near Quaker Neck Wharf, on

MONDAY, Nov. 10, 1902

Commencing at 10.30 o'clock A. M., the following personal property:



10 HORSES
AND COLTS.

Of which there are Two Young Brood Mares with colts by their sides, and both again with foal; One Colt, 2 years old; One Colt, 1 year old.

7 HEAD CATTLE,

One Good Bull, 2 years old; Three Good Young Milch Cows, to be fresh shortly; One Heifer, 2 years old, and Two Fine Yearling Heifers.

18 Fine Sheep,

28 Hogs, Shotes and Pigs,

Three Extra Fine Brood Sows, Two Fine Young Boars, others ready for butchering.

Farm Utensils:

1 Farm Wagon, Wagon Springs and Peach Rigging, 1 Horse Cart, 1 Dearborn, 1 Top Carriage, Carriage Pole, Champion Binder, nearly new and in perfect order; 1 Bickford & Huffman Grain Drill, eleven hoe, seven inches wide, in good order; 1 Champion Mower, nearly new; 2 Disc Harrows, Corn Planter, New Steel Frame Drag Harrow, 60 teeth; 1 Wood Frame Drag Harrow, 1 AA Harrow, Hay Rake, Hallock Weeder, Peach Culler, Corn Sheller, Grain Fan, 3 Iron Frame Cultivators, Truck Cultivator, 2 Two Horse Plows, 1 Three-Horse Plow, 1 One-Horse Plow, 1 Roller, Grindstone, Lawn Mower, 3-Horse Trees, Double Trees and Single Trees, Half-Bushel Measure, Peach Ladders and Pickers, Hoes, Shovels, Forks, Rakes, Axes, Bramble Scythes, Double Carriage Harness, New Set Single Carriage Harness, Dearborn Harness, Wagon Harness, Cart Harness, Plow Gears, Collars, Bridles, Halters, Etc.

HOUSEHOLD AND KITCHEN FURNITURE—Two Good Hot Air Stoves, 2 Sheet Iron Fireboards, Buffet, Bed Room Furniture, Stands, Chairs, Matting for 4 Large Rooms, Stair Carpet, 23 Window Curtains, Kitchen Tables, Churn, Biscuit Block, Buckets, Tubs, Dishes, and many other articles too numerous to mention.

TERMS OF SALE—On all sums of $10 and under, cash; on all sums over that amount a credit of Ten Months on note with approved security, payable at the Second National Bank of Chestertown, with interest added from day of sale.

MRS. CLARA B. REES,
Administratrix.
CHARLES H. HURLOCK, Auct. oc25-ts.

Tax Sale Order Nisi.

Thomas S. Dodd vs. Sarah A. Hurtt's Heirs.

In the Circuit Court for Kent County, Maryland.

THE report of sale of the estate of Sarah A. Hurtt for taxes made by Thomas S. Dodd, late sheriff of Kent county, collecting taxes and reported by him in the above case, and the proceedings therein having been read and considered and the same appearing to have been regular and the provisions of law in relation thereto to have been complied with; it is therefore this 23rd day of October, 1902, by the Circuit Court for Kent county, Maryland, ordered that all persons interested in the said real estate of Sarah A. Hurtt sold by said Thomas S. Dodd, as sheriff, for taxes, and reported as aforesaid, be and they are hereby notified to show cause if any they have, on or before the 24th day of December, 1902, why said sale shall not be ratified and confirmed, provided a copy of this order be inserted in the KENT NEWS and the Chestertown Transcript, respectively, two newspapers printed and published in Kent county, Maryland, once in each of three sucessive weeks before the 24th day of November, 1902.

EDWIN H. BROWN,
WILLIAM R. MARTIN.
True Copy.—Test:—
JAMES T. DIXON, Clerk.

Prohibition Ticket.

For Representative from the First Congressional District in the 58th Congress of the United States:

R. J. McALLEN,
OF WICOMICO COUNTY.

W. AMBROSE CARROLL, FOOTWEAR.

Chestertown, Nov. 1, 1902.

TO THE PEOPLE OF KENT AND QUEEN ANNE'S COUNTIES:

Ladies and Gentlemen:—We would like very much to interest you in our lines of excellent Fall and Winter Footwear. As we shall not, in all probability, have an opportunity of having a personal talk with you on the Shoe question, we write you this letter and trust that you will be so far interested in it, that you will favor us with a call, when you are ready to purchase your Winter Footwear. Our stock for the coming season is now all in, and we believe that we have everything any man, woman or child requires, or can desire to wear on their feet. We are doing business on a very small margin of profit We handle only the footwear made by the very best makers, and we are always up to the hour with our styles. Many of the best manufacturers have given us the exclusive sale in this locality of the Shoes they make.

Should you ever buy a pair of Shoes here that prove unsatisfactory, we stand ready with new Shoes or with Money to make the wrong right, the moment you notify us.

Come in, please, and let us show you what we can do for you in in the way of pleasing you and saving you money on your Shoe bills.

Very truly yours,
W. AMBROSE CARROLL, THE SHOER.

JAMES D. LUCAS. | JAMES D. LUCAS.

COMING

Time You Was Thinking Something About That Winter Suit.

If you feel that its a little early to buy your suit we would suggest an extra pair of—

Pants, Pantaloons, Or Trowsers

We have them in all the new patterns for this season—so full of styles, and so perfect in fit that they might be mistaken for tailor-made.

Hats, Hats, Hats.

You can always depend upon getting the right thing from us in Hats. We have them in all the new shapes and colorings. Our large output necessitates frequent buying, which means latest styles.

Underwear.

If you feel a little shivery these mornings, better get into a suit of the medium weight merino that we are selling at 50c and having a big run on just now.

Our store is known as being headquarters for all lines of Furnishings.

Neckwear, Underwear, Hosiery, Suspenders, Gloves, Etc.

A complete line of Trunks, Suit Cases, Etc., always in stock.

JAMES D. LUCAS,

DIRECTLY OPPOSITE STAM'S HALL

Clothier and Furnisher.

A Big Surprise.—The Grand Jury room is used by the Board of Election Supervisors for Kent County as their office and on Thursday proceeded to use same when an amusing incident occurred. There was no fire in the stove, at least, there was no heat coming from it, and the Colonel proceeded to start a blaze. He opened the stove door, and peering inside, uttered an exclamation of surprise as he drew therefrom a bottle filled with liquor! The temperature of the room being somewhat cool some of the contents of the bottle was appropriated and the fire in the stove started. The fire was burning finely when there came into the room a certain gentleman. The latter went to the stove, and without noticing the fire, attempted to open the door. He soon discovered there was a fire, and turning to the Colonel with a querulous look asked who in the world built that fire! The colonel laughed heartily and returned the bottle.

Marriage Licenses.—The following marriage licenses have been issued by Clerk of the Court J. T. Dixon during the past week: Walter Truitt, of Blacks, and Edith Armstrong, of Wilkesbarre, Pa.; Clarence F. Edwards and Mattie V. Dolan; Henry Kay and Lottie Webb; Edward George, of Golt's Station, and Mayme Dickson, of Earleville.

KENT AND CECIL CO. WIN.

Prospects for Trolley in Cecil Now Bright—Fredericktown the Terminus.

The prospects for a trolley railway from the Delaware state line near Newark to Elkton, Chesapeake City and on down to the Kent county line are now very bright. The County Commissioners for Cecil County held a special session at Elkton Tuesday afternoon, when Judge E. R. Cochran, of Wilmington, and State Senator Henry M. McCullough, of Elkton, representative and counsel for the Tennis Construction Company, appeared before the board. They agreed to put up $1,500 cash forfeit as a guarantee that the road would be built from the Delaware state line to the Sassafras River on or before the 1st of October, 1903.

The resolution passed by the Commissioners sometime ago gave the company nine months in which to build the trolley road from the Delaware line to Chesapeake City. The proposed line as outlined today will be twice as long. The Commissioners accepted the proposition.

The road in Cecil county will be known as the Kent and Cecil Power, Light and Railway Company. Work of constructing the road is expected to be begun within a month.

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